

SUMMARY

A coffee machine with an integrated coffee grinder (1) and a powder chute (2), which serves the purpose of feeding ground coffee (3) from the coffee grinder (1) to a movable brewing cylinder (4), has an inlet (6) with a manually operated lid (5) for already ground special coffee. A sensor (14) detects the position of the lid (5). The detection signal of the sensor (14) is passed on to a processor (15) controlling the coffee machine, and said signal is used to differentiate between a normal operating mode and an operating mode for producing special coffee. If the lid (5) is opened for a certain minimum time span, a subsequent coffee preparation cycle in the operating mode for producing special coffee is initialised. Since, to that end, no separate pre-selection is required any longer, the operation of the coffee machine is simplified and the susceptibility to problems is reduced.

(Fig. 1)